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HELENA RESIDENTS PUT ACADEMICS TO WORK

MISSOULA --

University of Montana students Cristin Bermingham and Brian E. Gustin of **Helena** participated in fall semester internships offered through UM's Center for Work-Based Learning.

The center provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to integrate academic theories and principles with practical job experience related to their chosen fields.

Bermingham, a senior majoring in psychology, was an assistant at First Class Child Care in Missoula. She is a 1997 graduate of Capital High School. Her parents are Allen and Mary Whitehead of Helena.

Gustin, a senior at the University, majors in communication studies. He worked with the Montana Public Interest Research Group to bring information about genetically engineered foods to UM students. Gustin also is a graduate of Capital High School. His parents are Karol and Jake Gustin of Helena.

UM's Center for Work-Based Learning serves about 2,000 students each year. In 2001 the center placed 700 interns throughout Montana, the United States and overseas in more than 35 fields of employment. For more information, visit the center's Web site at www.umt.edu/internships.